റാവു ബഹദൂർ എം. നാരായണമേനോൻ: വേണ്ടതായ അന്വേഷണം നടത്താം. ഇൻസ്പെക്ടരെക്കൊണ്ടോ വേറെ ആരെക്കൊണ്ടുവേണമെങ്കിലും അന്വേഷണം നടത്താം. ഞാൻതന്നെ അന്വേഷിക്കണമെന്നുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ അതിനും തയ്യാറാണു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. കുട്ടി: ഒരു കുറ്റത്തിനു രണ്ടു ശിക്ഷ കൊടുക്കുന്നതു ന്യായമാണോ? ആ രീതി ഭേദഗതി ചെയ്യുന്നതു?

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മിസ്റ്റർ ഇസ്മായിൽ ഹാജി ഈസാ സേട്ടു്: പൊതുയോഗത്തിൽ പാസാക്കി അയക്കുന്ന പ്രമേയങ്ങൾക്കു സ്റ്റാമ്പു വേണമെന്നു നിബ്ബന്ധമുണ്ടോ?

റാവു ബഹദൂർ എം. നാരായണമേനോൻ: ഇല്ല.

A. R. P. OFFICER FOR ERNAKULAM, MATTANCHERI AND WILLINGDON ISLAND—SELECTION OF

221. Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether there is a proposal to appoint an A. R. P. Officer for the areas of Ernakulam, Mattancheri and Willingdon Island;

(*b*) is any person selected for the post; if so, what is his qualification and salary scheme;

(*c*) were our Government consulted in the selection of the officer;

(*d*) will our Government be called upon to contribute a share of the salary of the A. R. P. Officer;

(*e*) is it not the practice in British India to appoint senior Police Officers for such appointments?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes. The person selected is an Upper Subordinate of the College of Engineering, Guindy, and has been working as a Special draughtsman in the Office of the Administrative Officer and Harbour Engineer-in-Chief. The pay is Rs. 200 per month plus a motor cycle allowance of Rs. 30 per month.

(*c*) No. But the Administrative Officer, while intimating that an A. R. P. Officer has been appointed by him

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with the concurrence of the Government of India, has also forwarded a copy of the Government of India letter to him, in which it has been stated that the appointment is subject to the concurrence of the Cochin Government, which is being sought.

(*d*) The question has not been decided.

(*e*) No information.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* May I know whether the Government of India A.R.P. Officer visited Cochin and made any recommendation in this behalf?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* The Administrative Officer got instructions from the Government of India. According to that, a man has been selected and sent up for training.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Did he not recommend that a Senior Police Officer should be appointed?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* No.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* When did the appointment take effect?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* The Officer has been selected and sent for training and they have also intimated the fact to the Government of Cochin for concurrence.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* My question is, is it after the concurrence of the Cochin Government and the Government of India that the appointment was made?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* An Officer has been selected and sent up for training and they have also written to the Cochin Government for our concurrence.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* Does the appointment take effect only after obtaining our concurrence or has it already taken effect?

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* The question is, was he appointed after obtaining the concurrence of the Cochin Government or before taking the concurrence of the Cochin Government?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* Before.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Then what is the use of taking our concurrence after the appointment?

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Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police)*. A man had to be sent urgently for training to Calcutta. So they selected him and sent him immediately. As soon as he was selected, they wrote to us for our concurrence.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* So has the appointment taken effect before our concurrence was obtained ?

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Is the selected person a Cochinite ?

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* Is the concurrence of Cochin Government a farce, or is it a condition precedent ?

Mr. President : The Commissioner of Police has already explained that because a class was started at Calcutta a man had to be sent urgently and just to avoid delay they selected him and sent him and immediately they wrote to us for our concurrence. The appoitment takes effect from the date of appointment.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi):* Who is to pay him ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* Probably we may have to pay a portion of it. Because the A. R. P. area comprises of Ernakulam, Willingdon Island, Mattancheri and British Cochin, we may have to give a portion.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know the qualification required for the office of the A. R. P. Officer ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* The qualifications of the person selected have been given in the answer.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know what are the qualifications that are necessary for the A. R. P. Officer ?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* A man is selected for special training and that special training constitutes the qualification for the Officer.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Is the selected person a Cochinite ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* No.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Has our concurrence been given ?

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Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* I do not know.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* May I know who the person is ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* One Mr. Viswanathan.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Is he a Brahmin ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* Yes.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* May I know whether the Government of Cochin had any hand in the matter of appointing this officer ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* Cochin Government had absolutely no hand.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* In that case will the Government see that not a single pie is paid towards the pay of that Officer ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* That will be considered when the question of paying him comes.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* Does the Government of India communication say that the appointment will be made subject to our concurrence ?

Mr. President : The Administrative Officer has written to us about the appointment and has also forwarded a copy of the Government of India letter to him in which it has been mentioned that the appointment will be subject to the concurrence of the Cochin Government which they are seeking.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* It is answered here that " the Administrative Officer, while intimating that an A. R. P. Officer has been appointed by him with the concurrence of the Government of India, has also forwarded a copy of the Government of India letter to him, in which it has been stated that the appointment is subject to the concurrence of the Cochin Government which is being sought ". The Government communication states that the appointment is subject to our concurrence

Mr. President : That is only in the letter addressed to the Administrative Officer.

Mr. K. Kochukunhan Kaimal *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know whether they have received our concurrence ?

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Mr. President : They say that they have appointed with the concurrence of the Government of India. The Government of India communication says that they will obtain the concurrence of the Government of Cochin also.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* From the nature of the work of the A. R. P. Officer is it not necessary that a man of local influence and who is in the know of local conditions should be preferred ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* A man specially trained for the purpose is necessary. Whether he is a native or not, is immaterial. Only a trained hand is required.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* May I know whether there is already an Officer for both Mattancheri and Ernakulam who is doing this duty properly ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* The whole arrangement will be under the A. R. P. Officer.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* I want to know whether there is anybody now who is doing the A. R. P. duties for Ernakulam and Mattancheri ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* Nobody trained.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* I am not upon the question of training, I am upon duties. I want to know whether there is any officer of this State who is now in charge of the A. R. P. arrangements in both Mattancheri and Ernakulam ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* The Administrative Officer is the Chairman of the A. R. P. Committee. He issues instructions as he gets them from the Government of India and we are just following those instructions. There is no specially trained A. R. P. Officer here.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* I want to know whether there is any Officer of Cochin State who is discharging the duty as per all the instructions issued by the Administrative Officer ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* No.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Will the Government be pleased to convey to the Government of India our feeling of utter disappointment and dissatisfaction ?

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Nominated):* What feeling ?

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Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* The feeling of this House of utter disappointment and dissatisfaction about the method and the manner of choice of the A. R. P. Officer.

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* What is the wrong with the choice?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* You see the A. R. P. Officer is for the whole area comprising Ernakulam, Mattancheri and Willingdon Island as also British Cochin. So this Officer has to attend and administer his duties in Cochin also.

Mr. President: He is for both areas for Cochin and British Cochin. Now we say we are disappointed. On the other hand, if we made the appointment, it will be their turn for disappointment.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* May I know how the instructions of Harbour Officer were carried out up to the appointment of this new Officer?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* About the lighting of streets and such other things he used to communicate with the Police and the Municipalities concerned and we used to follow these instructions.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Is this Mr. Viswanathan an Ezhuva?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* That has already been answered.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* He is a Brahmin.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* May I know whether the Harbour authorities are appointing somebody for Cochin State?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* They are not appointing anybody for Cochin State. But the Cochin area includes British Cochin, Mattancheri, Willingdon Island and Ernakulam and this officer is to administer A. R. P. arrangements in the area.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* May I know whether the Officer won't have a right of enforcing A. R. P. rules in Cochin State?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* The Cochin Government will carry out his instructions.

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